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NORTH KOREAN SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZATIONS

[Comment: This report gives information on eight government-controlled so-called scientific organizations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. It gives the date of formation, creating authority, controlling government organ, organizational composition, publication, and other information for each of these organizations as presented in the 1953 Choson Chungang Yongam (Korea Central Yearbook, 1953). In some instances, however, the information given is not complete.]

Committee to Confer Academic Degrees (Kukka Hakwi Suyo Wiwon Hoe)

This committee was created by the eighth meeting of the Cabinet [on 26 October 1948]. It is controlled by the Ministry of Education. The committee is composed of Chairman Kim Tu-pong and eight members. The committee nominates candidates for national awards for outstanding research work, reviews theses for bachelor's and doctor's degrees, and grants academic degrees

Academy of Political Science and Economics (Chongch'i Kyongjehak Aggademia)

This academy was formed on 10 January 1950 and opened on 1 February 1950. It is controlled by the Cabinet. The academy teaches political science and economics to the cadres of political parties and social organizations which are controlled by the Democratic Front for Unification of the Fatherland. It also trains gove nment workers and social scientists.

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Committee for the Compilation of Korean History (Choson Yoksa P'yonch'an Wiwon Hoe)

The Committee for the Compilation of Korean History was created by Cabinet Decision No 11 on 2 October 1948. It is composed of Chairman Paek Nam-un, a 12-member Standing Committee, and 16 regular members. The committee publishes Yoksa Che Munje (Historical Problems), a monthly magazine.

This committee takes the place of the Society for the Compilation of Korean History which was established by the North Korean Interim People's Committee on 7 February 1946. The committee compiles both the national history and war history of Korea. It has already published a document on modern history by Yi Ch'ong-won and a collection of articles on Korean history by Kim Kwang-chin and four others.

Korean Language Research Society (Choson Omun Yon'gu Hoe)

The Korean Language Research Society was formed on 2 October 1948 by Cabinet Decision No 10. It is controlled by the Ministry of Education. The society, composed of Chairman Yi Kuk-no and 23 language specialists, publishes Chosono Yon'gu (Korean Language Research), a monthly magazine.

The Korean Language Research Society succeeded a similar organization established in the Kim Il-song University in February 1947 by the North Korean Interim People's Committee. The society fosters research in the development and standardization of the Korean language. It has a Language Committee composed of the Dictionary Subcommittee and the Grammar Subcommittee for the compilation of a Korean dictionary and grammar. The latter subcommittee has published a volume on Korean grammar while the former has completed the compilation of a Korean language dictionary and "lectures" on the Korean language.

Committee on the Revision of Scientific Terminology (Haksul Yongo Sajong Wiwon Hoe)

The Committee on the Revision of Scientific Terminology limits the number of Chinese characters in scientific terms of daily usage; corrects the inconsistencies in scientific terms as used by the Japanese; and contributes to the building of a strong foundation for technical and scientific development by stressing the proper use of scientific terms.

Eighteen subcommittees in the following classifications were formed to carry on the work of revising scientific terms: essential Chinese characters, grammar, mathematics and physics (includes astronomy), chemistry and geography (includes geology), history (includes archeology), pedagogy, fine arts, ical science, jurisprudence, philosophy, transportation science, and communications.

Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute (Nongnim Kwahak Yon'gu So)

This institute is controlled by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry. It conducts research in agriculture, forestry, sericulture, livestock breeding, and fishing. It studies all fields of agriculture and forestry science in the USSR, and disseminates these studies to the general public. It publishes the results of research on agriculture and forestry field, both domestic and the USSR.

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Labor Science Research Institute (Nodong Kwahak Yon'gu So)

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Business Management and Accounting Research Institute (Kyongyong Kyesan Yon'gu Hoe)

This institute studies the problems of business management and the methods used in collecting statistics. It conducts research in problems dealing with labor and wages, costs, depreciation, domestic commerce, production increase, expenditures, stockpiling of raw materials, cost accounting, contracts, and finance and management systems. The institute publishes Kyongyong Kyesan (Business Management and Accounting), a monthly magazine.

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